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MARTIN GETS JAIL SENTENCE; OTHER COUNTY COURT NEWS

Charges of Adultry and Assault and Battery... Other Cases at Term of Court.

Smethport, Jan9.—The first session of court for 1924 convened here yesterday when many cases were disposed of.

Attorney T. F. Mullin of Eldred petitioned the court for the appointment of J. E. Smith as high constable to fill the vacancy of Constable Davis of Eldred, who failed to quality.

Attorney Mullin also appeared on behalf of William Abbot, of Bradford, who in October was sentenced to six months imprisonment and to pay a fine of $500 resulting from conviction on a charge of bootlegging. He petitioned for a parole of the prisoner, which was granted by the court. Abbot will be placed under the supervision of Probation officer, James A. Lindsley, the convicted man having promised to reform.

Sheriff L. W. Barton brought in to court several prisoners whose cases were to be disposed of. John Martin of Lantz corners, formerly of Kane was convicted and sentenced on two charges. He was sentenced to serve six months with a fine of $100 on a charge of adultry and an additional two months and $50 on charges of assult and battery. He was also ordered to turn over $900 of the proceeds of a house which he had sold and received $1,500 for to his wife. Martin was a glass worker, who lived with his wife, Ruth Wiser, a border also resided with the couple. Martin was charged with adultry in connection with assults on Miss Wiser, Mrs. Martin, who tried to intervene, was beaten up by Martin. Ruth Wiser plead guilty on a minor charge and was fined $50 and directed to find employment.

James Messler, a tool dresser, claiming his residence as Port Allegany, received a six months sentence with $500 fine for passing a fra-

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HUNTING ON MAIN STREET

Tuesday afternoon, an of hound dog and little wild rabbit both in high gear, streaked up Main Street and staged a real exhibition of what real speed really was to an interested and appreciative audience.

The little cotton tail was running for its life and it certainly had the sympathy of the women spectators with it. While the remarkable speed of the big dog seemed to hold the respect and attention of the men.

Many a trigger finger itched as the dog slowly closed the gap between himself and his quarry.

The rabbit, bewildered by its unaccustomed surroundings and sensing that it was running a losing race, desperately crossed the pavement, and circled a few times on the "Square"— dashed madly up the pavement again to the Post Office and the dog finally closed and pounced on it and the race was over.

The victor took his spoils and trotted back up the street for home.—Pt. Allegany Rep.

HOUSTON CHEMICAL COMPANY REORGANIZED

The Houston Chemical Company, the members of which were R. J. Rice, Ed French and M. Gillette, have sold their rights to the new company which has just been formed. Its members are Hamlin and Robert Redfield, Redfield Gillette and Frances Hussey. They have the exclusive right to the manufacture and sale of Bozeez, a cattle spray that has met with splendid results heretofore.

All these young men are capable and energetic and we predict success for them in their new business venture.

ANNUAL GRANGE BANK MEETING HELD TUESDAY

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Grange National Bank was held Tuesday, January 8th.

The following Directors were elected: E. A. Studholme, Guy B. Mayo, M. S. Comes, A. A. Abbey, H. U. Rubin, J. B. Oviatt, Geo. Richards, F. A. Gallup, F. L. Holmes, T. H. Hungiville, W. H. Callup, Eugene McCarey, W. A. Ostrander, M. M. Quinn and Wm. F. Specht.

At the meeting of the Directors the following Officers were elected

E. A. Studholme, President
F. L. Holmes, Vice President.
E. E. Drake, Cashier.
A. E. Quirk, Ass't Cashier.
Mary Kleisath, Teller.
Albert Johnson, Bookkeeper.

The reports given at this meeting indicate that this bank is in splendid financial condition.

MRS. DAVID BUTLER INJURED.

Willie Shick and Mrs. David Butler of Larabee were Olean visitors Saturday. While Mrs. Butler was going to the train at Olean she fell and injured her right limb above the ankle. Dr. Huff of Eldred was called Sunday, but the limb was so badly swolen that he could not tell whether it was fractured or not, but advised Mrs. Butler to go to Olean Tuesday and have an X-Ray exposure made of the injured limb.

CARD OF THANKS

One cannot speak to highly of the clubs and friends during this winter season of sickness and other calamity in this place, many do not like to see their kindly work acknowledged, but all the same the grateful ones feel this is a way of thanking their friends, whether it be for a blanket, quilt, piece of beef or sack of flour, flowers or fruit during fire or sickness it very much helps and is highly appreciated by the recipients.

EAST SMETHPORT CITIZENS

FUNERAL OF H. L. BACKUS

Funeral services in memory of Harry L. Backus, late owner of this paper, were held Friday afternoon at 2.00 o'clock at his home on East Main street. The services were largely attended by sorrowing friends and relatives who came to pay their last homage to the memory of the deceased. Rev. W. E. Van Dyke pastor of St. Lukes Episcopal church had charge of the services. A mixed sextette from the same church beautifully rendered "Lead Kindly Light" and "Abide with Me."

The room where the casket lay was a mass of flowers, mute but beautiful offerings from different lodges and from personal friends. The pall bearers were: J. C. Backus, A. J. Hyatt, C. C. Choate, O. J. Hamlin, Webb Hopper, and S. W. Hubbard.

The interment took place in Rose Hill cemetery. McKean Lodge 388 F. & A. M. having charge of the committment service.

MERLE STICKLES TAKEN TO FORT PORTER

Merle Stickles who was released two weeks ago and allowed to go back to his home, was again taken into custody Sunday by detective Allison and Monday was taken to Fort Porter Buffalo, by E. W. Jones, president of the draft board of McKean County.

It seems that after the young man was questioned by the local board that the authorities wrote in to Washington, giving the evidence submitted by him, which was entirely verbal, namely of his having secured exemption papers in Kansas and later moving to this locality. This evidence was apparently not sufficient to satisfy them for the reply from Washington was to the effect that he must be taken to the nearest military post at once. Accordingly he was taken Monday to Buffalo as selective draft deserter from Draft Board No. 2 McKean county. The young man made no resistance. It is to be hoped that he will be able to prove his innocence.

MONEY EARNED IN TREASURY CERTIFICATES

The fact that the people of this country are learning the lesson of saving by sound investment instead of by hoarding and speculating is shown by the growing demand for the Treasury Savings Certificates recently offered by the Treasury Department to the people for investment according to the statement issued by he Savings Division, Third Federal Reserve District.

"The Certificates are gaining in popularity every day in the eastern counties of this State. The people want them because they are safe simple and yield a good return, stated W. Harrison Walker, Assistant to the Director for the Third Federal Reserve District.

"Government Savings System is one of the best antidotes for all sorts of swindlers who prey upon the gullible public. Treasury Savings Certificates offer an ideal investment both to the city and country—people men, women and children."

Under this plan every one will receive $1000.00 from our Government in five years from the day he invests $800.00, $100.00 for $80.00 and $25.00 for $20.00.

This means that the investment will earn 25% in five years.

The money is absolutely guaranteed.

The funds are available on demand.

The interest paid in a lump sum with the principal.

The money is protected against loss or theft.

The money invested never depreciates; but always grows.

The Certificates are also exempt from State and local taxation (except estate and inheritance taxes) also from the normal Federal income tax.

The Certificates may be obtained from the local post office.

E. W. WORKLEY, P. M.
CLAIR WHITE, Asst.

MYSTERY OF ABANDONED CAR SOON CLEARED UP

Tuesday morning a Studebaker sedan was found standing near the Kushequa depot by Neal Gleason, agent at the depot. The car which apparently had been standing there all night had the drivers license of J. H. Woods, Bradford.

Mr. Gleason notified J. J. Allison county detective on the supposition that the car was a stolen one.

Investigation proved however, that the car had been left there the night before by a son of J. H. Woods who after spending the evening with friends in town found that the car was frozen and would not start. In his efforts to start it the car was pushed down the hill to the spot where it was found Tuesday morning. Finding his attempts were useless he locked the sedan and went home in one belonging to a friends, which clears up the mystery in short order.

D. A. R. HOLDS FRANKLIN MEETING.

The January meeting of McKean Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, was held at the home of Mrs. J. W. Bouton on Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock with seventeen members and one guest in attendance.

As this year is the two hundredth anniversary of Franklin's arrival in Philadelphia and January seventeenth is the anniversary of his birth, the program was devoted to Franklin.

Roll Call—"Sayings of Poor Richard". President Generals address—Mrs. Rose Herzog. Short sketch of Franklin's Life—Mrs. Rena Balsley. Franklin leaves his brother's apprenticeship and runs away to New York. His trip to New York and Philadelphia—Mrs. H. H. Redfield.

Following the program delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Bouton assisted by Mrs. Charles Gleason.

LOST

Sheet of about 42—2-cent stamps Monday evening about 5:30 P. M. on Main Street. Return to this office.

W. F. M. SOCIETY CELEBRATE 17TH ANNIVERSARY

Eighty members and guests were in attendance at the seventeenth anniversary of the organization of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church on Tuesday evening.

The following excellent program was given under the direction of Mrs. Roze Herzog:

Piano Duet—

Military March—Schubert and Country Dance—Nevin by Miss Catherine Schroch and Miss Lucile Hovis.

Missionary Creed—Helen Wright

Children in Everyland—A group of Standard Bearers.

Talk—Mrs. Eva Sullivan, District Secretary.

"I Don't Believe in Missions"—Misses Mabel Day and Christel Comes.

Piano Solo—Miss Jeannette Herriman.

This was followed by the customary roll call to which each member responded by giving a dollar and reciting a poem telling how she earned it. This offering amounted to $56.58.

Dainty refreshments were served by Mrs. W. A. Hovis, Mrs. George H. Denning, Mrs. Allen J. Hyatt, Mrs. Ernest Botsford, Mrs. E. E. Bouton, Mrs. Alford Bush, Mrs. Neal H. Gleason and the Misses Gladys Delfass, Era Hoffman and Mabel Day.

MRS. N. M. DAY TAKES BAD FALL SUNDAY

Mrs. N. M. Day of Water street fell Sunday morning on the sidewalk near Geo. W. Mitchell's, cutting a deep gash in the back of her head, and getting a severe shock.

Mrs. Day was on her way home from church, and both hands were filled with papers etc. so that she could do nothing to save herself, and fell with full force on the back of her head.

She was taken directly to her home, and Dr. Hamilton was called and cared for her injuries, which while not serious were quite painful. She is much improved at present.

SMETHPORT STUDENT COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN FOR ST. BONA'S PROM

Allegany N. Y., Jan. 14.—Invitations will be sent out this week for the Junior prom, the annual formal party given by the junior class of St. Bonaventure college. It will take place at Knights of Columbus hall Friday evening, February 8. The committee has spared no effort in trying to eclipse the prom of last year. Robert O'Connor of Smethport is the general chairman of the Prom committee.

CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. H. L. Backus and family wish to thank all their friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted them during the illness and at the time of the death of their husband and father, also the choir for the beautiful music rendered at the funeral.

BOY SCOUTS COMPETE FOR SILVER MEDAL

Saturday P. M. at 2: o'clock, members of Boy Scout Troop No. 1, held a track meet and competed for the silver athletic medal.

Philip Newman, son of Mrs. Lincoln Green of this place, was the successful contestant, taking first place in the quarter mile race, shot put, high jump and 150 yard dash.

Robert McDermott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom McDermott, won the pole vault and standing broadjump.

SUCCESSFUL SALE OF CHRISTMAS SEALS.

The Christmas Seal sale conducted by the Travelers Club resulted as follows:

Receipts from all sources, $311.10
20 per cent paid to State Anti-Tuberculosis Association, $62.22. Balance in Travelers Club Seal Fund, $248.88.

This money will be used for sanitation, hygiene or health in Smethport and vicinity.

BIG AUTO SHOW TO BE IN BRADFORD JAN. 21--26.

Folks who attended the Auto Show in Bradford last spring will recall its unique setting in mammouth tents.

With their usual enterprise and love of originality the Bradford Auto Dealers are this year putting on their show much earlier in the season than heretofore as they are taking advantage of the opening of a large garage, on Washington st., by Mr. Charles Partiss. The Bradford Dealers cannot claim originality in thus placing their show earlier in the year as they are but copying the plan of the large National Shows.

However the Bradford Auto Dealers have conceived an original plan in making their show a benefit for a worthy County Institution, the McKean County Children's Home. This home is only partially sustained by State and county funds, the remainder of the finances having been raised each year by a group of interested ladies by individual subscription.

Realizing the needs of this institution, the Dealers propose to spend more money than heretofore on their show thus insuring the major part of all proceeds going to the Children's Home.

Another unique feature connected with the Show's program is the fact that practically the entire exhibition will be changed in the middle of the week, on Thursday morning, thus practically giving two distinct shows in the week of January 21-26.

The Auto Show is scheduled to open on Monday morning, January 21st, and will be open daily thereafter from 1: p. m. to 10:30 p. m.

Indications point to a tremendous demand of automobiles in 1924 and this public interest coupled with the fact that the proceeds will go to the McKean County Children's Home, should insure an unusual large attendance.

This paper wishes to recommend this project to our readers and we are sure that you will make no mistake in attending this exhibition of 1924 Model Automobiles.

JINX GOT HIM

Ray Smith has been the victim of a concentrated dose of hard luck this week, being the victim of three separate accidents. On Monday morning, while working for Geo. Smith at Sartwell, he cut his head with an axe. After he had his head bandaged up, he went out to the barn, where a horse kicked him, broke his collar bone, and trampled on him, cutting his arms and legs. After being bandaged up for his new injuries he went to the home of his brother-in-law, Tony Stoling, on the old Fair Grounds.

Tuesday morning as he sat in the Stoling home, thinking over his misfortunes, Smith decided to enjoy the comfort of a smoke. While smoking, the bandages on his arms and shoulders caught fire, and he was badly burned on the breast and arms, and in his struggles to put out the blaze he again dislocated the broken collar bone. He was taken to the McGranor Hospital, where he is now receiving treatment for his numerous painful injuries.

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WINDOW GLASS SITUATION

National Glass Budget: The window glass industry from the manufacturer's viewpoint is reported to have shown improvement in the right direction to date in the new year. While orders have not been large, a considerable number have been entered on the producers books. Those prominent in the industry apparently agree that the outlook so far as it appears from present indications and conditions is quite promising for at least the early part of this year.

Little change has taken place in the production column. Machine plants are operating at an unchanged pace. Fire has been lighted in several hand-operated window glass plants and many of them will start up during the coming week, the balance through to the end of the present month.

Negotiations have been under way for some time past which, if consummated, will provide for the installation of cylinder drawing window glass machines in the factory of the Eldred Window Glass Company at Punxsutawney, Pa. This plant has a 42 pot capacity for decisate. frmohtenRts.eo

The Kane No. 1 plant of the Interstate Window Glass Co., closed on Friday, January 4, for cold repairs.

The United States Window Glass Company's plant at Morgantown, W. Va., was reported as starting to make glass on Monday of this week

EAST SMETHPORT HAS GIRL HEROINE

During the recent accident to Linos douglas, when he was run down by an automobile, and his ribs and body crushed, when the rest of the sleighing party had fled from the scene of the accident horror stricken, a 13-year old girl rescued him, getting him onto an abandoned sleigh and hurrying him to his home, while the distracted parents were doing for him this girl hastened to the telephone, called the Doctors who by their prompt assistance were enabled to save him from the loss by hemorrhage, his general condition being quite serious. This being the second accident within the past three months that this plucky girl was the means of getting the victims to their homes, surely she should be rewarded. The Carnegie Medal would be a fitting reward for her courage.

Orders taken for stationery upon which is printed your name and address.

100 Sheets and Envelopes $1.50

McKEAN COUNTY MINER

MRS. LETTIE G. ROBISON NAMED TAX COLLECTOR FOR COUNTY OF McKEAN

Popular Bradford Woman is First Female To Hold Important Position—Ralph Yeardon Appointed Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Mrs. Lettie G. Robison of No. 83 Kennedy street, Bradford, was appointed collector of county and state taxes for McKean county at todays session of the County Commissioners in the court house here.

The appointment is for the year 1924. Mrs. Robison is one of Bradford's best known women and her appointment is expected to meet with general approval throughout the county. She is the first woman to serve in a similar capacity in this county. She was chosen by the commissioners from a field of 42 applicants for the appointment of tax collector, the most important made by the county Commissioners.

Ralph Yerdon of Bradford was appointed sealer of weights and measures for the county by the commisioners and by Mayor Charles Deninger of Bradford jointly. His appointment also is for one year. Mr. Yerdon has served the county as sealer of weights and measures during the past year has given satisfaction.

These appointments constitute the most important business transaced by the commissioners during their first business session of the year today. A large volume of routine matter was attended to by the new board made up of Commissioners Bond and Wynn of Bradford and Halpenny of this place.

COOKED FOOD SALE.

Come to the baked food sale to be held in Geary's Saturday, January 19, 1924, at 3: o'clock.
Benefit of Smethport High School.

CROSBY.

Mr. John Raszmann was an Eldred visitor Monday.

Mr. Forrest Pendleton of Eldred was a business visitor in Crosby Saturday.

Mrs. Gertie Dixley and nurse, Miss Putnam, went to Kane Monday where the former is going to have an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. Cecil Morgan left Sunday for her home in Bordell after spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Wilcox.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvond Putnam and Mrs. and Mrs. Lloyd Mulverhill called on Mr. and Mrs. Frank Newcomb Sunday.

Mrs. Augusta Walters spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cleveland of Smethport.

Mrs. Martin Dunkles was a Smethport shopper Thursday.

Mr. George Rose of Bertha called on Miss Grace Winslow Sunday.

Mr. Herman Adler of New York City is visiting relatives and friends in this place.

Miss Grace Lindholm is able to be back in school after an absence of several days.

Mr. Morse Wilcox was a Mt. Jewett visitor Sunday.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Volney Ruby last week.

HAZELHURST

Word has been received by Mrs. Bertha Wingard of the death of her son Arthur Turnbull of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. John Worrell are the proud parents of an eleven pound boy girl which was born January 10th.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Walker were visiting relatives here.

Mr. Hobart Bills of state police was a visitor here.

Mr. J. E. Benard of Du Bois was visiting relatives in town.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Crandall January the 11th a baby boy.

Mrs. Minnie Brown is visiting friends and relatives in town.

Mr. Frank Goddard and children were in town Sunday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bert Lamb January 13th a baby girl.

Mrs. Ralph Fusco who has been ill the past two weeks is improving.

Mrs. A. O. Crandall is on the sick list but is improving.

Dave Henderickson of Crosby was visiting relatives here last week.

The Hazelhurst High School Basket Ball team were defeated by the "Spark Plug" basket ball team of Smethport Friday evening.

Mike Conners was visiting relatives in town Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Reinard have left for Du Bois, Pa., where they intend to make their future home.

JARABEE

Mr. Palmer Peckham of Cuba, N.Y. is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Nichols.

Mrs. Vird Dennis was a guest of Mrs. W. C. Lawrence of Eldred, Wednesday.

W. T. Wahlman was an Olean visitor Saturday.

Louis Kenfield of Hinsdale was a week-end guest at the home of his cousin, Mrs. J. E. Johnson.

Mrs. A. H. Knapp is very ill at her home in Sartwell. Dr. Hanna of Port Allegany is attending.

Ten workmen of the Milliron Construction Company of Du Bois arrived in town Monday night to resume work on the overhead crossing south of town.

Henry Shick of Corryville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Coleman and daughters, Laurabelle and Vivian, were Sunday guests of relatives in Sartwell.

W. E. Sawyer and William Rice of Wrights were business visitors in town Saturday.

Mrs. Raymond Brouder of Cortland, N. Y., was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Brouder last week.

Mrs. Grace Stitt who has been very ill with flu and bronchitis, is convalescing.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Haynes of Sartwell were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Haynes.

Mrs. Lottie Cannalton of Eldred was a guest of Mrs. Vird Dennis Thursday.

C. J. Carey was a business visitor in Port Allegany Tuesday.

Miss Katherine Bailey returned to Sartwell Saturday, after spending two weeks with friends and relatives in Olean.

Miss Gertrude Appleby was a Port Allegany visitor Saturday.

Four of the men who formerly worked on the Larabee section, are now employed on the Eldred section and the section foreman has accepted a position at Liberty where he will move his family soon. Arthur Burrows has charge of the pump station.

Misses Maxine Deming and Louise Ireland of Eldred called on Mrs. R. D. Raszmann Friday.

Mrs. R. H. Nichols, Mrs. J. E. Brouder and Mrs. Raymond Brouder were Port Allegany visitors Thursday.

P. D. Pendleton was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Raszmann of Crosby Saturday.

Mrs. J. L. Harris is confined to her home with pleurisy.

Mrs. Ernest Oliver is a guest of her sister at Rue City.

Mrs. A. J. Cooper of Buffalo and Mrs. William Galutia of Eldred were calling at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Carpenter and Zenas Carpenter Wednesday.

Miss Gladys Thompson was a Port Allegany shopper Tuesday.

Roger Mahl moved Arthur Duryea's household goods to Windfall Wednesday where Mr. Duryea has employment in the oil territory.

Walter Bremer of Dunkirk was a business visitor in town Thursday.

Mrs. E. F. Gardner of Duffytown was a week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Coleman.

Mrs. Lillian Henderson of Port Allegany was a guest of Mrs. Lottie Cameron Wednesday.

Miss Florence Smith spent Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. August Smith of Farmers Valley.

Frank Wahlman spent the week end with his cousin, Llewelyn Wahlman of Olean.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Dennis were Bradford visitors Wednesday.

Philip Cooney of Smethport was a guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Cooney Saturday.

Hazen Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Pendleton and daughters, Ardith, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Carpenter of Eldred Thursday.

Eight of the Milliron Construction Company's workmen have secured board at E. C. Hubbards and two at J. T. Johnson's.

Mrs. Junie Hemminger returned home from Wrights Saturday.

Daniel Raszmann of Crosby was a week-end guest of his mother, Mrs. Lena Raszmann.

Thomas Mulvaney was a business visitor in Eldred Saturday.

Misses Ruby and Marie Haynes of Sartwell were Sunday guests of Miss Dora Johnson.

Charles McElwee of Port Allegany was a business visitor in Sartwell Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Taylor of Portville were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Carpenter.

Mrs. A. L. Bewley was in Wrights and Port Allegany on business Friday and Saturday.

TURTLE POINT.

Mr. Colbert of Two Mile has three teams hauling wood from Rock Run to Turtle Point station he and his men are boarding at Ralph Holmes' dining place.

N. W. Taylor who fell from the silo in his barn about four weeks ago is improving slowly. He is able to sit up part of the time. Dr. Colcord is the attending physician. Mrs. Hughes who has been caring for her father since his fall returned to her home last Saturday.

Mr. George Case of Eldred who was at one time a resident of this place suffered a stroke last week which will be sad news to his many friends here.

Miss Sophia Mullin and her friend have been holiday visitors at her brother Joseph's home.

P. H. Murphy is still caring for chores for N. W. Taylor.

Miss Francis Murphy is sick with chicken Pox at this writing.

Mrs. John Case and son Floyd passed through this place Friday night enroute for Eldred, to see Mr. George Case who is sick at this writing.

Ford

THE UNIVERSAL CAR

Looking Ahead

LAST Spring a total of 350,000 people were disappointed in not being able to obtain deliveries of Ford Cars and Trucks, as orders were placed faster than cars could be produced.

The demand for Ford Cars and Trucks this Spring will, according to all indications, be far greater than last Spring.

Winter buying has been increasing at a greater rate than ever before.

Actual retail deliveries the past 60 days totaled 308,170 Ford Cars and Trucks, an increase of 1,961 a day over a year ago.

Over 200,000 people have already ordered Ford products on our purchase plan, the majority of whom will take delivery in the Spring.

The above facts are given with the suggestion that you list your order promptly with a Ford dealer if you contemplate the purchase of a Ford Car or Truck for use this Spring or Summer and wish to avoid delay in delivery.

Ford Motor Company

Detroit, Michigan

You need not pay cash for your car. You can arrange to make a small deposit down, taking care of the balance in easy payments. Or, you can buy on the Ford Weekly Purchase Plan. This puts you on the preferred order list and insures delivery of your car at a time to be determined by yourself.

MAIN STREET GARAGE

JAMES QUIRK & SON, Props. SMETHPORT, PA.

OLDEST OF APPLE ORCHARDS

It Is in the Mountains of New Mexico, and Probably Was Planted In 1635.

America's oldest apple orchard, so far as known, is a group of trees in a remote hamlet of the Manzano mountains of central New Mexico. The origin of this orchard is lost in antiquity. How it came there, whence the seed, who the planter, are questions that go unanswered.

The word "manzano" is Spanish for apple tree, and "manzano" means apple. It is believed that the New Mexico orchard was started by one Fra Geronimo de la Llama, a missionary from Mexico who in 1635 came to Quarl, five miles below the present hamlet of Manzana. There was at Manzana, it is said, a wonderful spring, says the American Forestry Magazine, and it is believed that the Spanish priest planted the orchard near the spring.

Although this early settlement was abandoned for more than a century because of Apache raids, the orchard grew on. As it stands today it is in two groups, one of fifty trees, the other of sixteen trees. The trees are of "sprout" growth; many of them in groups of two or three starting from a common center. They still bear fruit, although the apples are small.

The guardian of the orchard today is the Rev. Jose Gauthier, a French padre who has served the Manzana townspeople for the last twenty-five years. The orchard is the property of the local church.

BEETLE EATS MOSQUITO GRUB

Insect Found on the African Gold Coast Helps Reduce the Number of Pests.

A beetle on the African Gold Coast has the useful habit of eating the grubs of mosquitos. The bug, a tiny beetle with the imposing name of Cybister guttatus, goes to the edges of ponds where the grubs are swimming, and fishes them out of the water. It helps very materially to reduce the number of mosquitoes in any area which it inhabits.

One of the great problems of modern tropical medicine is the killing of mosquito larvae, consequently it is probable that an effort will be made to cultivate the new beetle extensively. At present one method of the same sort is in use in most malaria countries. This consists in putting shoals of a tiny fish known as "millions" into mosquito ponds. The "millions" feed on the grubs.

Science is beginning to take a very deep interest in these "balances of nature," for it is probable that, by making a judicious use of them, both health and crops can be improved. The ravages of the "green fly," for instance, are controlled by the "ladybird." In a poor ladybird year the green fly becomes a serious pest.

Raising the Dead.

He kicked off his wet shoes, slid his tired feet into a pair of carpet slippers, lit his pipe, sat down with an air of relief and declared that wild horses couldn't get him out of the house before morning. "Henry," said his wife, "you posted that letter I gave you this morning, I suppose?"

"I did, my love," he replied unblushingly.

"I asked mother to postpone her visit for a while," his wife continued. "You see—"

Henry did see, his wife saw, too. What she saw was a tired man jump from his chair, kick off his slippers, put on his shoes and get out into the mud as though he liked nothing better. And when, a few minutes later, he came back with the remark that he had been to see how the thermometer stood down at the post office, his wife smiled.

A Modest Hope.

Sometimes the hopeful natives expect miracles. The American school at Sholapur, in India, got a letter from a native whose son had been sent to study.

"If you will kindly try to read his phrenology," the doting father wrote, "his physiognomy and graphology, you must discover as the most promising boy to turn him out to be president of America as James Garfield, Lincoln and others."

Even in mission life many a comedy is staged. In early Honolulu days, a chief, quite naked, called on a missionary. Being reproved for this, he went back to his hut, and returned wearing a pair of women's stockings and a tile hat!—Frederick Simpich, in the Saturday Evening Post.

Ancient Japanese Tombs.

Tombs of six imperial ancestors have just been discovered in obscure spots in the suburbs of Kyoto. They have been identified as those of the sons and daughters of Emperor Godaigo, who was banished to Oki island by Ashikaga, the usurper, 584 years ago. The Emperor Godaigo dispatches his sons to nearby provinces to raise recruits for his campaign against Ashikaga and their tombs are scattered around the country. The imperial mausoleum board is making a search for ancient graves, with the hope the discoveries will be made which will help in the study of the history of the country.

Good Stuff.

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Decolate Region in Plateau Country of Chile Is Source of Famous Soda Commodity.

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And yet this desert has been for a century a primary support of human life in the civilized world, says the Nation's Business. Although science now promises eventually to make us independent of this desert, and its product, it is no exaggeration to say that the great expansion of the race which has taken place in the last hundred years would have been impossible without it. And the people of the United States are still largely dependent upon it.

This arid desert is the source of the famous Chilean nitrate of soda—a commodity which is at present the subject of a special investigation being made at the behest of Congress by the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce.

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LEGAL ADVERTISING.

Notice is hereby given that Henry C. Loucks, Executor, of the Estate of R. D. Sherwood, deceased, late of Ceres Township, McKean County, Pennsylvania, will on Tuesday February 12th at Two O'clock in the afternoon expose to public sale and sell to the highest bidder the lands hereinafter described, belonging to the R. D. Sherwood Estate.

Said sale to take place at the premises, which are near the Bell's Run Cheese Factory, Ceres Township, McKean County and one-third of the purchase price is to be paid by the purchaser at the time of the sale and the balance upon confirmation of sale by the Court and delivery of deed.

Description of Real Estate to be Sold.

All those two certain pieces, parcels or tracts of land, lying and being in the Township of Ceres, County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to wit:—

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SECOND, BEGINNING in the center of the Taylor Brook Road, west of Bells Run Road, in the eastern line of lands owned by John Richards; thence in a northerly direction along the said eastern line of John Richards lands to the south west corner of lands owned by Jesse Balsworth; thence in an easterly direction along the said line of Balsworth lands to the center of the Bells Run Road; thence in a southerly direction along the center of the said Bells Run Road; to a point in the center of the intersection of Taylor Brook road to the place of beginning. CONTAINING thirty-five (35) acres of land, be the same more or less.

Excepting and reserving from the above-mentioned grant, all the oil, gas and minerals in on or under the above described piece of land together with the free and uninterrupted right to operate for same in the usual manner.

It is, however understood and agreed that the above named grantee, his heirs and assigns are to have all moneys received for the damage done to growing crops as provided in oil and gas lease.

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BOY INJURED BY AUTO.

Olean, Jan. 11.—Winifred Sibley of West State street, was hurt and his bicycle was wrecked when struck by an automobile operated by Harold Fox of Bradford, Pa., according to police report Thursday. Mr. Sibley was taken to his home by Mr. Fox, and he was given medical attention. He was injured in the left side and back, it was reported. Mr. Fox reported to police, but he was not detained.

OSCAR H. MILLER DIED IN BRADFORD

Bradford, Jan. 12.—Oscar H. Miller, one of the best known residents of Bradford, died yesterday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock at his home, at the age of 50 years. Mr. Miller had not been in robust health for several years but his acute illness was of short duration.

Active in community affairs, public spirited and always among the leaders in campaigns for civic betterment, Mr. Miller won a wide circle of friends and was highly esteemed by all who knew him.

Born in Woodhull, N. Y., August 3, 1874, he came to Bradford 25 years ago. For the past two and one half years he had been deputy internal tax collector. Previous to his appointment as tax collector, he had been business manager of the Star-Record and, previous to that he had been manager of the Bradford Daily Record.

He was a member of Union Lodge F. & A. M., the local lodge of Elks in which he served as secretary for several years, and of the First Presbyterian church. He was always active in church affairs, and in the activities of organizations in which he held membership.

He is survived by his widow; one daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Dobson; one brother, Walter Hauber of Elmira, N. Y., and one sister, Mrs. Willis Drake of Pine City, N. Y.

Funeral services were held at the home Monday afternoon at two o'clock. The Rev. F. Dean Miller of the First Presbyterian church officiated. Interment was made in Oak Hill cemetery.

STOLEN CAR IS RECOVERED.

An Alleged Youthful Thief Lands in Jail—Is but 23 Years Old. Former Coudersport Resident Recovers Machine—Harold Brunner, a Rixford Lad, Held for Grand Jury—Caught in Smethport.

Coudersport, Jan. 3.—Charles Seitler of Salamanca, formerly of Coudersport, a brother of Mrs. Albert W. Button of this place, is well pleased that he has recovered his Ford touring car, stolen while he was in Olean on business about the middle of December. Mr. Seitler is the manager of a grocery store in Salamanca. He is well known here where he has many friends.

Harold Brunner, who gives his age as 23, and his residence as Rixford, is in jail at Little Valley awaiting the action of the grand jury, charged with stealing the machine. When arrested in Smethport he was ready to fight rather than be handcuffed. The battery was gone from the car and it is thought an attempt had been made to burn the machine. Brunner has all the symptoms of a toughnut and he will no doubt get a stiff sentence.

YOUTH WILL BE TRIED FOR MANSLAUGHTER.

Olean, Jan. 14.—James Mallamace, 19 years old, of Chicago, a former employe of the Pennsylvania railroad shops here, charged with manslaughter first degree in the death of Neil Bryant in this city, July 4 last will be brought to trial in County court in Little Valley this week, according to District Attorney Archibald M. Laidlaw of Cattaraugus county.

Bryant bled to death from a knife wound in the left leg. An artery was severed. It is charged that he and Mallamace left the Greenwood dance hall in East street to fight, and the Chicago youth pulled a knife and cut him. Bryant died within a few minutes of the cutting.

Mallamace was arrested at the Erie railroad station in the north end several hours after the crime. He was waiting for a train after wandering through swamp land and police got him when they followed an automobile to the north end and lost it after it passed the station. Mallamace, it was said, confessed to Police Chief John C. Dempsey after he made an unsuccessful attempt to rip himself of a knife with a six inch blade covered with blood.

FOUND BODY OF INFANT IN VACANT LOT.

The finding of the body of a premature born infant was reported to Chief R. T. Fowler about 1 o'clock this afternoon. The remains wrapped in a newspaper were discovered by school children in the brush on a vacant lot on Walnut street, within ten feet of the street.

The package containing the dead infant was found soon after it was left in concealment, as is indicated by the fact that the newspaper wrapping had not yet become wet from the falling snow.

Mrs. U. D. Daniels of Smithfield street was informed by the children of their find and she immediately notified Chief Fowler, who in turn notified Coroner H. C. Heffner of Bradford, who ordered the remains to be taken care of by the Board of Health while the police department makes a thorough investigation.

The fact that the remains were left in the lot, presumably around the noon hour, will no doubt result in soon pointing a clue to the person leaving the package there and Chief Fowler believes that the guilty one would soon be apprehended.—Kane Jan. 11.

MRS. MARIA ANDERSON.

Mrs. Maria Anderson, passed away at her home in Bloomster Hollow, Thursday evening, January 3rd, at 8:30 o'clock, after a few day's illness.

Mrs. Anderson was in her 74th year and a widow of Charley Anderson, who proceeded her indeath 14 years ago.

She is survived by one daughter Mrs. O. Hartburg, three sons, John, Oscar, and Martin, and 12 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at the late home, Sunday afternoon Rev. Morten Parson of Nebo church Mt. Jewett, officiating, of which church Mrs. Anderson was a member.

Burial was made in Kasson cemetery.—Mt. Jewett Echo.

OFFICIAL STRICKEN ABOARD STREET CAR.

Bradford, Pa., Jan. 16.—Suffering a stroke of paralysis while boarding a street car at the public square at 10 o'clock last night, Walter D. Singleton, superintendent of the city water department and one of Bradford's best known residents, died at the Bradford hospital at 11:30 o'clock without having regained consciousness. Mr. Singleton was about 65 years old. He lived at 165 Kennedy street. He was connected with the water department during the past 20 years, first as clerk then as secretary of the old water board and later as superintendent, when the new form of city government was adopted here. He was prominent in Masonic circles of the city and was a member of the old Central Hose fire company.

WHAT McADOO FORGETS.

Mr. McAdoo out after support for President, is bragging about the fact that freight rates were not increased while he was director general of the railroads, but he is not bragging about the heavy bills the treasury had to pay to make up deficits in the operation of the road. That's a horse of another color.

Webster City (Iowa) Freeman-Journal.

NO POISON WAS FOUND.

Analysis Shows Death of Charles Bonsack was not caused by Poison.

No poison wase found in the examinations made of the vitalorgans of Charles C. Bonsack, according to a report just received by Dr. W. J. McGranor from the University of Buffalo, where these organs, the contents of the stomach, etc. had been sent for examination just after his death.

The death of Mr. Bonsack, who was apparently in excellent health was a mystery to the attending physicians and local authorities, and a thorough examination was ordered to find out whether the death could have been caused by poisoning. The result of the analysis shows conclusively that death was not caused by poison, and makes it more than ever probable that he died as the result of monoxide fumes from a defective gas stove.

Dr. A. P. Sy, Professor of Chemistry at the University of Buffalo, made the chemical test and writes, "I have tested for corrosive poison, poisonous metallic compounds, and alkaloids in stomach, kidney, stomach contents and urine. I found no poison, nor any indications of poison."

Dr. F. W. Jacobs made the athologic and microscopic tests, and also reported that he found nothing that would prove that the man died of poisoning.

With the receipt of these reports the case seems to be settld and no further investigations will be made. —Port Allegany Reporter, Jan 10.

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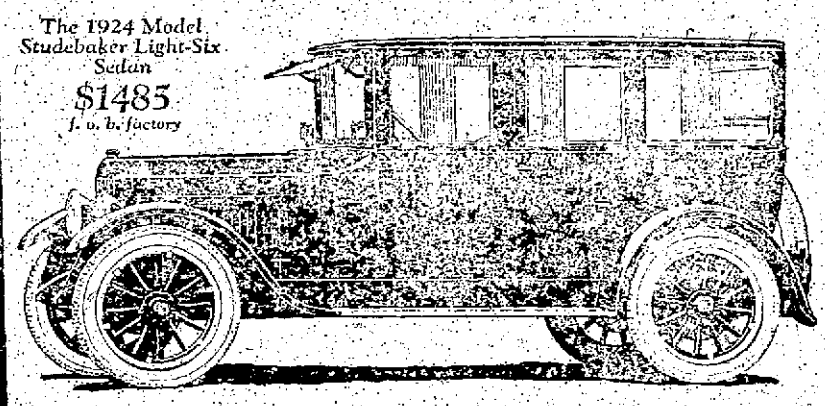
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We are authorized to announce the name of Ella J. Mountz, of Clearfield County, Pennsylvania, as a candidate for the office of Delegate to the Republican National Convention from the 23rd Congressional District of Pennsylvania.

EDITORIAL

WHO GETS "SOAKED" BY HIGH SURTAXES

The escape of so-called millionaires from paying federal taxes is the most serious tax problem confronting the federal government today. The extent to which the wealth of that class of our citizens escapes paying taxes is set forth in a striking manner in tables furnished by Secretary Mellon.

According to the records of the Treasury department the total net income of all classes of citizens reported for taxation in 1915 was $6,298,000,000. Those total net income reported for taxation in 1921 had increased to $19,577,000,000, or 210 per cent.

The total net incomes of those reporting incomes of $300,000 or over was $992,973,000 in 1916, but in 1921 this had dwindled to $153,534,000, or a decrease of 85 per cent.

On the face of these official figures, it would appear that the rich are getting poorer and the poor are getting richer, that in the last five years the average citizen has multiplied his income by three, while the millionaires have divided their income by six. But everyone knows the absurdity of such an argument. The decrease of 85 per cent in the total there reported for taxation by those having incomes of $300,000 has been due to the fact there are fewer millionaires with large incomes than there were in 1916, but the fact that the millionaires invested their money in tax-exempt securities, and thereby escaped paying heavy federal surtaxes.

The report of the Treasury department furnish corroborative evidence of this. The inheritance tax unit of the Internal Revenue bureau has taken a survey of the inventory of estates subject to inheritance tax with a net value of $1,000,000 or over. The result of this survey shows that in the average tax-exempt securities composed 2.21 per cent of such estates in 1917. By 1920 tax exempt securities composed 9.59 per cent of such estates.

Taking that portion of the estates consisting of stocks and bonds of all kinds, the Internal Revenue bureau finds that of the stocks and bonds, tax-exempt securities, composed 3.28 per cent in 1917. By 1920, tax-exempt securities composed 14.5 per cent of the stocks and bonds of estates of a million dollars or over and in 1923 tax-exempt securities composed 11.98 per cent of the stocks and bonds of estates of one million dollars and over.

The effect of this transfer of investments from taxable to non-taxable securities is seriously reflected in the returns to the United States Treasury. The amount of surtaxes paid by those having incomes of $300,000 or over in 1916 amounted to 66.8 per cent of all surtaxes paid in that year,—surtaxes beginning on incomes of $6000 a year. Year by year the percentage of federal income tax paid by those with incomes of $300,000 or over decreased until in 1921, the last year of which there has been an analysis, the percentage of surtaxes paid by those with incomes of $300,000 or over was only 20.6 per cent of the total surtaxes paid.

In other words the $300,000 income class paid less than one-third the surtaxes in 1921 that they did in 1916, although the rates in 1921 were much higher than in 1916.

All of the above facts conclusively prove that high surtaxes have but one effect, that is, to drive men of wealth to invest their money in non-taxable securities. The result of this is a loss of revenue to the federal government from the millionaire class. Secretary Mellon estimates that if the money now invested in non-taxable securities were invested in productive business the gain in income tax to the government would be over $400,000,000 a year. Or to put it the other way the government is losing $400,000,000 a year in taxes because high surtaxes are driving wealth into non-taxable forms of investment.

All this is of vital and immediate concern to the man of small income. The $400,000,000 loss due to evasion of the federal tax law by the rich investing in non-taxable securities must be made up by the men of small incomes paying higher taxes. The money with which the government is run must be raised by taxes, and if those of great wealth are able to evade paying their share, it necessarily follows that the man of small income who cannot evade the federal tax collector must pay an increasing proportion of the burden.

Therefore, the politicians, or the political party which plays the demagogue by proposing a tax bill to soak the rich man and relieve the poor man is in point of fact and practice proposing a bill which relieves the rich man and soaks the poor man.

NEW IMMIGRATION RESTRICTIONS

It is encouraging to know that the administration is giving serious consideration to immigration. This country has already let too long been made the dumping ground for the scum of Europe. Immigrants of character and worthiness who are efficient and capable of taking their places in our social and industrial order should be welcomed. Aside from what country they may be desirable citizens, our own born should not be cast to all comers in unlimited numbers. The proposition of Secretary of Labor Davis of weed from out on the other side of the Atlantic is a good one. This will go a long way toward giving us only desirable immigrants. It is quite taxing our capacity to assimilate those of other countries.

MAXIMUM LOAD LAW

From now until settled spring weather our roads are susceptible to much damage from overloaded trucks. People generally have been indifferent to the expensive practice of allowing heavy trucks to tear up expensive roads, notwithstanding the laws against it. Road building is costing much money and when our highways are completed they are too valuable to be allowed to go to ruin in this manner. We believe that it is the plain duty of the private citizen to report to the county officials instances where he has reason to believe the law is being violated.

IT COSTS MONEY TO RUN A NEWSPAPER

Publicity is a newspapers stock in trade and it is to the individual and the community's interests just as much as to the interests of the newspaper itself to see that a newspaper is adequately recompensed for publicity matters because if a newspaper is properly supported it is able to render broader service to the community. Free publicity should no more be expected from a newspaper than free legal advice from a lawyer, or free medical advice from a physician. The MINER is always willing to go more than half way in giving publicity to deserving causes but it takes money to conduct a newspaper and its advertising space is its chief source of revenue.

MORE JOB HOLDERS PROPOSED

A lot of people are clamoring for another cabinet officer—a Secretary of education. We trust it never advances beyond the stage of agitation. Education is already taking half our tax money. Creation of a cabinet office to supervise national education would mean tens of thousands more federal employes to act as deputies, clerks, stenographers, examiners, commissioners and what not, increasing the cost beyond the point of human endurance. Right now in this county eleven people are paying exorbitant taxes that the twelth may serve in some sort of governmental position. Increasing this burden would be the last straw. Let's plan to lop off a lot of office holders instead of hunting excuses to create a lot more.

I hope I shall always possess firmness and virtue enough to maintain, what I consider the most enviable of all titles, the character of an "honest man".—George Washington.

AND IT WILL SOAR HIGH

A new $1 bill has no eagle on it, but it will continue to fly just the same.

A train of thought arrives no place, if it is running local.

We presume Hi Johnson is hotheaded enough to get along this winter without the hat he threw into the ring.

"A person who cannot succeed without being in a herd ought to organize his own herd. My advice to a young man is to learn to pitch in and fight his own battles single-handed. Sheep and goats run in droves, but lions and tigers do not."—E. W. Howe.

While Mr. Coolidge is said to be a pretty cool sort of proposition, it is natural to presume that he has warmed up quite a bit toward Mr. Ford since the latter climed onto his wagon.

There is getting to be a close relationship between car and coroner.

Smethport has a few men who won't invest a cent in anything except a proposition presented by an absolute stranger.

The promotion of farm prosperity means the betterment of the town folks who after all, must furnish the market for farmers. The two go hand in hand, and it's up to both to see that the other gets a square deal.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO ACT AS JUDGES

Headed by Herbert Hoover and made up of men and women leaders in practically every field of endeavor, a National Committee formed to act as judges in the American Chemical Society's Prize Essay Contest was announced today.

Dr. Charles Mayo of the Mayo Foundation at Rochester, Minn., represents the medical profession on the committee. Frederick E. Weyerhaeuser, the lumber, Belo and Julius Rosenwald of Sears, Roebuck and Co., Chicago, the merchants of the country. Prominent women on the committee will be Alice Lane Wister, President of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, Ida M. Tarbell and Jane Addams. Dr. J. R. Angell, President of Yale University and Dr. H. N. MacCracken, President of Vassar College, have accepted membership representing the nation's educators while the scientists will be represented by Dr. Robert Andrews Millikan, physicist, who has been the recipient of the Nobel Prize, Dr. J. C. Merriam, head of Carnegie Institution and Dr. Edgar F. Smith past president of the American Chemical Society and former Provost of the University of Pennsylvania. Gen. J. J. Carty, Engineer of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, United States Senator Arthur Capper, who will represent the agricultural interests of the country, Robert J. Guddihy of the Literary Digest, George Eastman of the Eastman Kodak Company and United States Senator James W. Wadsworth, Jr., Chairman of the United States Senate Committee on Military Affairs, are also members of the Committee.

The Prize Essay Contest, which is the result of a gift of Mr. and Mrs. Francis P. Garvan of New York in memory of their daughter Patricia, is being conducted by the American Chemical Society. Every high school and secondary school student in the country is eligible to participate. Six cash prizes are being offered to the winners in each state and six scholarships to Yale or Vassar will be the awards in the national competition between the state winners. Each contestant may submit one essay not to exceed twenty-five words which must be confined to one of the following subjects: The Relation of Chemistry to Health and Disease, to the Enrichment of Life, to Agriculture and Forestry, to National Defense, to the Home to the Development of the Industries, and Resources of Your State. The best essay on each of these six subjects in each state will be awarded twenty-dollars in gold, and six best essays will be selected by the National Committee from the state winners.

The writers of the winning essays will be awarded four year scholarships to Yale University or Vassar College, each scholarship to carry with it five hundred dollars a year in cash in addition to tuition fees.

National and state educational officials have endorsed the project and over twenty thousand sets of reference books, pamphlets, The Life of Pasteur, Creative Chemistry, The Riddle of the Rhine, Discovery, The Spirit and Service of Science, and the Future Independence and Progress of America Medicine, in the Age of Chemistry, have been donated to schools and libraries all over the country.

Booklets and posters describing the contest have been distributed the contest have been distributed and it is estimated that more than a million essays will be written by high school boys and girls. Through the generosity of the publishers the Committee has been enabled to offer sets of the reference books to interested individuals at the actual cost of printing. This was necessitated by the great demand for the books and the fact that the funds of the Committee did not permit the free distribution of books to those other than schools and libraries.

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Pathe News.

PERSONALS

The Women's Christian Temperance Union will meet with Mrs. Martha Chadwick Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 22 at 2:30. All members please be present and on time.

William Spanogle who is ill with Bright's Disease is slightly improved but still confined to his bed.

Holmes Spanogle of Buffalo, N. Y. spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F.M. Spanogle.

Miss Charlotte Spanogle spent the week end at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Volney Coleman of Salamanca and son Lawrence who attended the funeral of H. L. Backus Friday, returned the latter part of the week to their homes.

Mrs. Cook of Oil City, Pa., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Hovis this week.

The condition of Linas Douglas of East Smethport, who was recently hurt by an auto, which resulting several weeks ago, is much improved. His many friends will be glad to learn of this.

Frank Fay, teller in the Hamlin Bank is ill this week suffering from tonsilitis.

Mary Ann Quirk, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Quirk, student Main street is ill this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Shea, son and daughter, Isobel of Limeville, Pa., who were called here by the death of H. L. Backus last week, the day returned Sunday to their home.

Mrs. E. E. Bolton and Mrs. F. J. Quirk entertained a large party of ladies at cards Saturday evening in Quirks Hall.

Mrs. J. A. Nellis and son left Monday for Eastland, Texas, where Mr. Nellis is engaged in extensive oil operations. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Brennan have rented the Nellis house during their absence and will move in soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hinchliffe left Wednesday for a few days visit in Buffalo.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Larson and son Paul were in Mt. Jewett Sunday.

Mrs. C. W. Smethers entertained the Auction Bridge Club Tuesday evening at her home on West Main street.

Miss Anna Erickson who recently underwent a slight operation at the McKinnon Hospital in Port Allegany is improving as this writing.

O. J. Hamlin left Monday for Harrisburg, Pa., on business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Lindholm will open in the Swedish Sewing Society at their home on Main St. Saturday.

Mrs. H. G. Gorham and son Junior are in Emporium this week visiting the former's mother, Mrs. Ida Thomas.

E. E. Drake was in Shinglehouse Thursday called there on account of the illness of his mother.

Hialmer Axelson and Tom Hunsinville who are employed at Johnsonburg, Pa., spent the week-end here.

Ellie Johnson is visiting her sister Mrs. George Blakesley in Bradford, Pa.

P. S. Crossman is in State College, Pa., attending the County Agents Association.

Mrs. Natello was a Bradford visitor Tuesday.

Mrs. Kate Woods of Ormsby, Pa. was in town Tuesday.

K. P. Cotter of Eldred, Pa., spent Saturday in town as guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Shattuck.

Dr. Burg Chadwick was a Shingle house visitor Thursday.

Miss Bernardine Gillen has accepted a position as assistant to Dr. A. R. Livermore.

Orrin Waite and D. H. Tarren of Erie, Pa., were business visitors here Tuesday.

Dr. Wm. McGroraty is in Brookville, Pa., this week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Erhard of Ridgway, Pa., are guests of their daughter, Mrs. Oscar Anderson of this place.

Mr. Arthur McDermott was in Bradford Monday.

The Misses Christel Comes and Marjorie Gleason entertained Wednesday evening at bridge at the home of Miss Gleason.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Herzog were Kane visitors Saturday.

Miss Theresa O'Connell is in Rochester, N. Y., this week.

The Tuesday bridge club was delightfully entertained by Mrs. John Sandspaugh Tuesday afternoon at her home.

Mrs. Russell Hungerford will entertain the bridge club this eve.

Mrs. Oscar Anderson and daughters Kathryn and Bernice were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Korb of Olean, N. Y. Saturday.

Mrs. Fred Hungerville was a Bradford visitor Monday.

Reginald Brunner of Bradford, was a Bustings visitor here Friday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ghordis Pickersgill of Olean, N. Y., a daughter January 11, 1924.

Miss Alice Heath of Mt. Jewett spent Sunday with her sister Louise Heath of this place.

Mrs. George Blakesly returned to her home in Bradford Sunday after a weeks visit with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Johnson.

Holmes Spanogle of Buffalo, N. Y. was the guest of his parents Friday.

Mrs. Claude Shattuck entertained a number of young ladies at her home on W. Main in honor of Miss Ruth Jones, bride-elect. Miss Jones was the recipient of a beautiful gift.

Mrs. Jane Young was in Olean Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Morrow have returned to their home in Hamilton Ontario, Canada after spending a few days with the latters brother E. A. Smithholme.

Mrs. Ada Young returned Friday from Buffalo where she has been to consult a specialist.

Mrs. Christine Anderson and Miss Hilton Anderson were Bradford visitors Monday.

Mrs. Claude Butts entertained a number of young ladies at cards Wednesday evening at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cooper.

Dr. Reid Hamilton was in Bradford Thursday.

Mrs. Alice Lee is confined to her home with account of illness.

Miss Arliph Cline of Bolivia, Pa. was in town Thursday.

Mrs. W. H. Bosworth of New York City who was the guest of her mother-in-law, Mrs. Mary Bosworth last week, left Saturday for a visit with her parents in Franklin, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Reed of East Smethport, have a son born Tuesday, January 8th.

Mr. and Mrs. John Worrell of Hazelhurst have a baby girl born Monday, January 7th.

John Keating of Clermont was in town Monday on business.

Miss Mary Bosworth entertained Friday evening at bridge for her daughter-in-law, Mrs. W. H. Bosworth, of New York City.

Marie O'Brien who has been ill for a week or so is still confined to her home, but is much improved.

The Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion held a meeting Monday evening at the Travelers Club House.

Ted Schmidt and his stenographer Miss Day were business visitors in Erie Monday and Tuesday.

Mary McCarthy was ill last week with tonsilitis.

Raymond Day is in Pittsburgh this week serving on the Federal Grand Jury.

Early Daly and Ben Danish of Kane were at the dance Tuesday evening given by the Carnation Club of Bradford at the Temple Club in this place.

Reginald Brunner of Bradford attended the Carnation club dance Tuesday evening.

The annual meeting of the Policy Holders of the McKean Grange Mutual Fire Insurance Company was held Wednesday, January 9th. The following directors were elected: E. A. Studholme, Eugene McCarey, C. J. Carey, C. P. Manning, L. L. Harris, W. O. Hilliard, L. J. White, James Bray, R. C. Fuller, C. R. Tubbs, C. J. Asp, H. D. Otto. At the meeting of the Directors the following officers were elected: E. A. Studholme, President; H. D. Otto, Secretary, F. A. Burdick, Treasurer.

The Washington, D. C. weather Bureau predicts a continued spell of near-zero weather. If you will on this page it'll show you the way to keep warm at no great cost to you.

Hon. and Mrs. Frenk E. Baldwin of Austin, Pa., were guests of friends in town the latter part of the week.

Prof. and Mrs. Stanley Bright are the proud parents of a baby son, born Tuesday.

Mrs. Eva Sullivan of Duke Center, Jury Commissioner was here on business this week.

AGE OF LOUD SPEAKERS HERE

Results in Straining of Vocal Chords and Throat Troubles, Says a Music Teacher.

A music teacher remarked the other day that more and more people were going to her for voice production, on the advice of a doctor, who rightly said that their throat troubles were merely the result of straining their vocal chords, says London Answers.

"We belong to an age of loud speakers," she said smilingly. "Particularly women and girls talk much more loudly than ever before. The restless age in which we live is responsible, and this modern shouting accounts for the number of strained throats about."

Her statement raises a very interesting point, because we all certainly find that the voice raised the loudest usually gets home first! The sweet simpering prunes and prisms of a hundred years ago won't get us a telephone call, or a bus in a tea shop, or a jumper at a sale, or tell us the way to Putney bridge.

The man or woman who whispers in these crowded days never gets very far.

One man said, quite seriously, the other day, that he thought modern dance music had a great deal to do with people's strident tones. And there certainly is something in that, too.

Occasionally, after all the harsh voices some one comes to town with a soft, crooning speaking voice. You can spot such a man or woman at once, and know, too, that they found their speaking tones in the heart of the country. And you know as well that, if they live in a big city for long, they will be forced to shout—as we all do—for our daily bread!

PECULIARITIES OF SENATORS

Spencer Eats No Breakfast, Curtis Won't Use Elevator, and Overman Takes Snuff.

During the lull in business employees at the capitol have had time to take stock of some peculiarities and idiosyncrasies of senators, says the Washington correspondent of the New York Herald. For instance, they have noted:

Senator Smoot of Utah only shaves, or is shaved, every other day. He thinks that is often enough and he likes to give his face a rest.

Senator Spencer of Missouri never eats breakfast. But Senator Moses of New Hampshire, who was his guest at luncheon recently, says "you should see him eat the rest of the day."

Senator Curtis of Kansas never takes an elevator if he has the time to climb the stairs. He says climbing stairs is the best "reducer" he has ever tried. During the summer he has done much stair climbing and has lost 25 pounds.

Senator Overman of North Carolina is one of the few senators who now and then take a pinch of snuff from the historic snuff boxes in the separate cloakroom, which are kept filled during the sessions of congress.

Senator Cameron of Arizona says he is the best cook in the senate. When a boy of sixteen years old he was the sole cook for a large crew on a fishing smack which operated off the coast of Maine. He also holds records as a fisherman.

Senator LaFollette calms his nerves after a heated debate by "puffing" on an old, well-seasoned pipe.

Sky Cycle and Man Kite.

Remarkable flying feats performed in miniature aircraft are described in the Popular Science Monthly. An Ohio aeronautical engineer, it is said, has built a "bicycle-plane," weighing less than 100 pounds and operated by foot power, which has flown successfully at McCook field, Dayton. Even more remarkable is a glider constructed in Europe. Although weighing only ten pounds and capable of being folded up and carried on the back, this airship is said to have remained in the air for almost an hour on several occasions.

Save Your Nails and Tacks.

When you open boxes, take up carpets, or do anything that produces a crop of bent nails or useless tacks, save them. Then, the next time you repot or transplant flowers, scatter the nails and tacks through the bottom layer of the soil, set in the flowers or plants, and fill the pot with rich loam. When you water the plants the nails will rust; the product of this oxidation will enrich the soil remarkably. You will be agreeably surprised with the strong and beautiful growth of the plants.

"Play-as-You-Enter" Cars for Kids.

"Play as you enter", is the welcome sign on the sides of the "Mollytown" trolley cars in Baltimore, where the traction company has set aside several cars for the children to play in. They are complete in every detail except that the power is turned off and they are anchored to the ground. Instead of the usual advertising cards, Mother Goose rhymes and pictures are displayed along the sides. The clanging gongs and the loud calling of the imaginary and unheard of, street names afford noisy proof of the popularity of the play cars as the crews make them along fanciful routes.

Immense Blocks of Stone.

Thirty-six blocks of stone, 33½ feet long, five feet in diameter, and each weighing 40 tons, have been installed as columns in a Harrisburg (Pa.) office building. These are the largest single blocks quarried by man since the pyramids of Egypt were built, according to the Popular Science Monthly.

EMPORIUM WOMAN DROPS DEAD IN HOTEL KITCHEN.

Mrs. Dickenson, 65, Succumbs On Tenth Anniversary Date of Husband's Death.

Emporium, Jan. 12—Mrs. Dickenson, a woman of about sixty-five years of age, dropped dead Friday morning about 11 o'clock, as she was preparing dinner at the St. Charles hotel where she was employed as cook. She appeared to be in her usual good health ten minutes before, when friends were with her, but when the members of the family heard something fall, she was found dead.

Her body was taken to the home of her son Albert Dickenson on Spring street. She was the mother of nine children eight of whom are living. They are: Mrs. Bertha Baird of Cuba; Fred Dickenson, Buffalo; Archie Dickenson, Renova; George Dickenson, St. Marys; Anna Prentise, Four Mile; and Ernest Dickenson, also of Four Mile; Helen Peterson, Rich V alley; and Albert D., Spring street. Mr. Dickenson died just ten years ago the day Mrs. Dickenson dropped dead.

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WILLYS-OVERLAND BREAKS ALL MONTHLY AND YEARLY RECORDS

President John N. Willys Predicts that 1924 Will See an Even Greater Increase in Sales . . . . MILLIONTH CAR PRODUCED THIS SUMMER

Announcement by President John N. Willys of the Willys-Overland Co., of the production of more than 200,000 cars on December 15th capped the climax of the most remarkable year that Willys-Overland has had, a year replete with sensational success that has returned this organization to its place for in the forefront among the leaders of the motor industry.

Mr. Willys coupled this announcement with the statement that Willys-Overland expects to break every one of its 1923 records in 1924 with a production which at present indicates a probable sale of 360,000 cars.

Willys-Overland crowded the first of its series of unusual announcements in 1923 with the appearance of its new Willys-Knight Coupe-Sedan at the New York show.

The enthusiasm which this car occasioned here was duplicated at every motor display in the country and in every Willys-Overland dealers show room, with the result that within thirty days after its announcemen almost every possible motor car purchaser in the larger centers of population had inspected this unusual model.

The new product was a novelty in automobile manufacture—not a coupe, not a sedan, not a coach—but a distinctly original and individual creation in motor car design; the first of a series of refreshing departures which marked Willys-Overland's career for the past twelve months.

RED BIRD SUCCESS

Another important message was sent forth early in spring—the new Overland Red Bird, a novel creation in Mandalay Maroon and glistening nickel, set off with khaki-colored top and extra equipment, in a totally new price class. Its success was instantaneous and country-wide. This was in a limited measure duplicated in the Willys-Knight line by the building of the Country Club model, a handsome touring car in Cavalier Maroon, also specially equipped. Both of these cars filled a long-felt want for novelty that appealed to the buyers of the so-called "sport" types.

Shortly after the original announcement the Red Bird was further stressed by an entire month of demonstration and display that greatly increased its popularity.

AND THEN THE CHAMPION

But the height of motoring utility was scaled in mid-fall by the announcement of the new Overland Champion, a closed car of unique design, actually introducing to the public something radically fresh, said to be the most divergently useful car so far brought out—the first standard closed car seating more than two passengers for less than $700.

The car seemed to sweep the country; enthusiasm and sales of this single model being greater than of any other new car within a similar period, following its original announcement.

Almost of equal interest to the motoring public were further announcements of new closed car designs on both Overland and Willys-Knight chassis; of the production of the larger Overland with black body and top; of the building of the Willys-Knight Coupe-Sedan in two types, a leather-upholstered body for professional and business man, and another finished in velour, called the DeLuxe model; the Overland Model 91 Touring car in both standard and DeLuxe designs.

FOR COMMERCIAL USERS

Of particular interest to the business man who operates one or a fleet of delivery cars was the Overland announcement of the new Overland Spad, a delivery car chassis, with four standard body types making possible sixteen different models, produced after an exhaustive study on the part of Willys-Overland engineers and transportation experts of the special requirements of this particular sphere of the automobile.

PRICES ARE NOW LOWEST

Another achievement of Willys-Overland has been the series of price reductions, which brought Overland and Willys-Knight cars down to the lowest prices in their history, a feat made possible by changes in factory production methods which permit the manufacture of these cars, with highest grades of material and without sacrifice of rigorous inspection and test, at less cost than has hitherto been thought possible. Overland's last reduction in September brought this model down to $455, f. o. b. Toledo.

Ranked also among Willys-Overland achievements of the past year has been the growth of its dealer organization, which today is practically twice that of 1922.

Able merchandisers of motor cars in practically every community have been obtained to sell Willys-Overland products and in practically every instance the success of the factory in Toledo during the past twelve months can be attributed to the remarkable cooperation extended by Willys-Overland merchants.

THE MILLIONTH CAR

One more spot of pleasant memory that the past year holds is the production of the millionth Willys-Overland car, an event properly and fittingly celebrated not only by the factory organization in Toledo, but by the entire dealer body.

Sales classes held by hundreds of Willys-Overland merchants in an effort to train new selling talent have been supplemented by a remarkable series of "service clinic" which have been conducted at central points during the past months. These courses have been in charge of specially-trained factory men who have been entrusted with the task of teaching and training dealers' mechanics and service men in the latest and most efficient methods of taking care of Overland and Willys-Knight motor cars. Willys-Overland feels that it possesses the leading dollar-for-dollar value in automobiles; it is our persistent aim to back this product with the obtainable service.

Sales records for the past year indicate that, even in a year of record buying Willys-Overland value has been solidly appreciated, and men who have paid more for a motor car in the past have been attracted to Willys-Overland because they have appreciated the Company efforts to build sound values. One hour in the Willys-Overland factory would convince the most skeptical that Willys-Overland is following the most rigorous standards of manufacture, which fact more than any other has been responsible for the remarkable wave of popularity that has gained Willys-Overland its present position.

GREATER IN 1924

With this series of achievements now of history Willys-Overland faces the New Year with a determination to improve even on this record. The Willys-Overland factory in Toledo expects to beat every month of 1923 during 1924. It is estimated that the production requirements will exceed 300,000 cars.

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Kushequa	Lv.		12:07		
Mt. Jewett	Ar.		12:23		
Via Backus & B. R. & P. Ry					
Bradford	Ar.		9:35	2:28	5:58
Mt. Jewett	Ar.		8:50	12:29	5:58
Via Mt. Jewett-Kane Bus					
Kane	Ar.		9:40	1:10	6:40
Via Kane-Mt. Jewett Bus					
Kane	Lv.		7:30	11:30	1:30	4:20
Via B. R. & P. Ry & Backus					
Mt. Jewett	Lv.		8:39	2:16	5:10
Bradford	Lv.		8:00	11:48	5:07
Mt. Jewett	Lv.		12:30		
Kushequa	Lv.		12:50		
Backus	Lv.	8:55	1:15	3:00	5:45
Smethport	Ar.	9:25	1:45	3:30	6:15

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"LEAPE YEARRE"

The according of special privileges to the ladies during leap year had its origin, we believe in which for all we know to the contary has never been repealed, reads leape yearre dothe occure, the woman holdeth prerogative over the manne in manner of courtship, love and matrimonie: so that when the ladye proposeth it shall not be lawful for the man to say her nay but shall entertaine her proposal in all gude courtesie." This "prerogative" having been denied the ladies for the past seven years an increseded activity in the matrimonial market during the year 1924 is predicated. The clause "it shall not be lawful for the manne to say her nay" is calculated to implant courage in the most timid feminine heart and great results may be expected from the unearth connection it may not be out of place to state that the Miner is headquarters for up to date wedding stationery.

COURT UPHOLDS PATENT SALE

U. S. Suit Against Chemical Foundation Dismissed by Judge Morris.

CONSPIRACY CHARGE FAILS

Conduct of Chemical Foundation Praised in Use of Former German Patents for Benefit of American People.

Wilmington, Del.—In a sixty-two page decision which swept away every one of the Government's major contentions as being without basis in fact or law, Federal Judge Hugh M. Morris dismissed its suit to set aside the sale of seized chemical and dye patents by the Alien Property Custodian to the Chemical Foundation, Inc.

The decision rebuked the Government for including in the bill of complaint a series of conspiracy charges unsupported by evidence at the trial and refuted by the defense as well as by documents filed by the Government.

In declining to compel the Foundation to restore the disputed patents, numbering some 4,700 and bought for $271,000, from the Government, Judge Morris held there was no evidence bearing out allegation of a conspiracy by American manufacturers to effect a monopoly through the Foundation. The court ruled that there was no evidence of fraud or deceit practiced on President Wilson, Mr. Polk, Under Secretary of State; Attorney General Palmer and other high officials of that Administration.

Garvan's Course Upheld

The opinion praised Francis P. Garvan, president of the Foundation, and its trustees, as having met the most severe of tests in their conduct of the Foundation—"the test of actual trial." They were declared by the court to afford, through their high integrity and unquestioned patriotism, a thorough assurance of loyalty to their trust. "It has kept the faith," said the court of the Foundation's work.

Judge Morris found without merit the Government's contention that the criminal laws were violated in that Mr. Garvan, as Alien Property Custodian, and thereby a public trustee, sold to himself as president of the Foundation the patents in question. He had acted by direction of President Wilson and his acts, supervised by the President under the latter's wide war powers granted by Congress, could not be brought to court. Congress had not delegated legislative powers to President Wilson, as maintained by the plaintiff, and the courts could not pass judgment on the wisdom or lack of wisdom of Presidential war acts.

Judge Morris studied that although Colonel Thomas A. Miller, present Custodian, who had approved two of the sales involved, verified the complaint, in his testimony he admitted that he could not enumerate any of the facts alleged to have been withheld and suppressed from him.

"In view of this testimony and the obvious fact that the power to charge persons with fraud and conspiracy is a weapon with which serious irremedial injury may be done to innocent persons if such charges are lightly made, it is difficult to understand why the specific charges to which the foregoing testimony relates were made," wrote the court. "Yet the remaining like charges were equally lacking in evidential support. In fact, at the argument, the plaintiff seemed no longer to press these charges against the persons alleged to be conspirators, but it sought to have the charges sustained as against the officers of the Government who formulated and carried out in the public interest the plan of sale. . . . While I know of no case where by implication of law the duty of clearing itself from imputed fraud rests upon the defendant, yet the defendant has met even this burden."

Holds Wilson Had Full Power

While the Trading With the Enemy Act at first merely authorized custodianship of German properties in this country, it was later amended, recalled the Court, to give power of sale under such conditions as the President, in the public interest, should determine upon. In effect, this made the President, as agent of the nation, possessed of powers as broad as though he were absolute owner of the seized properties. Under the provisions of the act, the President was empowered to make any conditions of sale he considered necessary in the circumstances.

The sales in dispute were not made by the Custodian in his capacity as a common-law trustee, but under the extraordinary powers devolving upon him as the President's representative, under the additional sections of the act. "Because a trustee with only the usual powers may not ordinarily sell trust property at private sale for less than its fair monetary value, it by no means follows that the Custodian, acting under supervision and direction of the President, may not do so," held the Court. "Obviously, the primary purpose of the act was the protection of the nation, not the benefit of the enemy. The trust was for the benefit of the nation—a public, not a private trust. The statute requires the President to consider the public interest. Public interest is not a synonym for money."

In this relation Judge Morris quoted from President Coolidge's message to Congress on the Muscle Shoals problem, that "while the price is an important element, there is another consideration even more compelling. * * * If this main object (low-priced nitrates for farmers in peace and the Government in war) is accomplished, the amount of money received for the property is not a primary or major consideration."

Referring to German-owned property, the court said:

"Much of this property was not innocently held or held solely for trade and commerce. Information acquired by German-owned companies had been transmitted to Berlin, and there indexed and made available to German competitors and the German Government. The files of one company were filled not with business papers, but with pan-German literature. It was a distribution centre for propaganda in this country."

Upholds Confiscation of Patents

Judge Morris pointed out that when America entered the war she adhered to the international convention forbidding poison gas, "but it soon became apparent that America would be fighting on disastrously unequal terms unless she should make use of all the dread weapons being used against her by the foe. When Germany persisted in her attempts to destroy her opponents with poison gas in contravention of all international agreements, she made it manifest that America's future safety lay in America's chemical independence. The amendment to the act was passed in the darkest days of the war (allowing the sale of seized properties). It was thought Paris was about to fall and the Channel ports be taken." These were the circumstances, said the opinion, "which impelled Congress to grant the President the broad powers of almost absolute ownership. It was the intent of Congress to subordinate mere property rights to the welfare of the nation."

Of the value of the patents sold, Judge Morris held, in accordance with the testimony, that while Dr. Carl Holderman, a German, asserted the Haber patents were worth $17,000,000 to the Germans, "the evidence is overwhelming that they were and are without substantial affirmative value to American citizens. Had these patents been sold to Americans at public rather than private sale and only the net proceeds paid to their former enemy owners these owners would have suffered an almost total loss in the value of their property."

Praises Work of Foundation

As to allegations that the sale was not to obtain a fair value, but to promote the interests of the chemical and dye industries and that the transaction was in legal effect granting a subsidy to private industry, the Court commented, "this challenge to the motives of the officers making the sale is supported, I think, neither by the facts nor the law. Mr. Polk determined the public interest would be best served by a wide use of the inventions covered by the patents. If the property was sold under terms and conditions that assured its being devoted to the public use it matters not what benefits or detriments may have flowed as incidents therefrom.

"The property is in the hands of men who have in its management no selfish interest to serve and whose devotion to the public interest has been established," continued the opinion. "No better plan for devoting the property to public use has been suggested. The plan has stood the most severe of all tests—actual trial. The defendant has kept the faith. This it has done, not only by granting licenses in furtherance of the purposes for which it was charatered, but also at its great expense, by distribution of books and pamphlets showing the national necessity for practical development of chemical science in America. If, perchance, those heretofore engaged in the industries have derived an incidental advantage from the plan, that incidental result cannot invalidate a transaction lawfully consummated in the public interest. The same charge would lie against the validity of every tariff act. * * * The sale was in effect to America and its citizens, not to those then engaged in chemical and allied industries."

Judge Morris ruled that if the executives entrusted by Congress with power of sale acted within the scope of that power "their acts are not subject to judicial nullification or review. Invasion by the courts to determine whether the public interest required the property be sold otherwise than under the statutory conditions prescribed and to set aside the sale should the judgment of the court be different from that of the President would be a judicial nullification not only of the President's act but also of the act of Congress conferring on the President the power to determine what the public interests required. What the public interest requires depends upon the conditions existing in the nation. Courts do not understand the 'state of the Union' and as, I apprehend, are not equipped to ascertain it. * * * The statement of the reasons actuating the President does not make his act any the less an act of discretion. It is conceded the President cannot be brought into court to substantiate his reasons. The statute does not require him to disclose to the purchaser the evidence upon which his reasons were based. The statute does not limit the Executive in the assignment of reasons to such as may be supported by legal evidence or by facts available to the public."

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COOL ACT OF SEPOY SOLDIER

Leopard Springs at Native From Hut and Is Caught in Chest With Bayonet.

I was for a year with the maharaja of Vizianagram, says W. A. Fraser, and one morning as I rode my gray Turcoman from the cantonments toward his palace I saw an excited group of natives in front of a small mud hut.

It was about a leopard, the natives told me, that had jumped upon the thatched roof of the little building in the night, and was now within. It was a stable, with nothing but a woven bamboo thing as door; but strangely, the leopard had not tried to break it down.

We could hear the angry snarl of the leopard and catch glimpses of his yellow hide as he prowled back and forth.

Then one of the maharaja's sepoys, a tall, dark, black-whiskered chap, came on the quickstep, his rifle, bayonet and all, swinging at the carry. Within a minute he had arranged everything.

He planted himself firmly as if he were to receive a charge, his bayonet advanced in front of the bamboo door, and said to a brother soldier: "Look you here, Pertab! With one movement swing that thing of bamboo to your side and I will receive the bagh on my bayonet."

The natives, hearing this order, modestly retired. I turned the gray Turcoman and went back a little distance. Then the thing was done. It was so simple—much like clockwork. The door was snatched to one side. With an angry "Waugh!" the leopard sprang out, his fangs bared in a ferocious snarl, and the bayonet of the sepoy's gun, held true and steady, was sunk its full length in the leopard's chest.

The sepoy was brought to his knees by the weight of the charging bagh, but he never wavered.—Saturday Evening Post.

LIKE GEMS SET IN THE SEA

Many Beautiful Little Islands Around Great Britain Are Frequented by Holiday Crowds.

It is probably no exaggeration to say that the Isle of Man is the most popular holiday island in the world. Its glens and even its mountains are turned into show places, whilst Douglas is, perhaps, next to Blackpool, the most enterprising seaside town in the British isles.

The Isle of Wight is what the house of lords is to the house of commons when compared with Manxland. "Man" is a democrat. "Wight" is the headquarters of the Royal Yacht squadron, and Cowes week is one of the great events of the season, says London Tit-Bits.

But the Isle of Wight has a popular side, as the fronts at Ryde, Sandown, Ventnor and even Cowes itself can prove. It is, moreover, the paradise of the char-a-bancs, for its hills are easily climbable, and its roads are excellent. Moreover, it has some of the loveliest coast scenery to be found anywhere.

The Channel islands belong to Britain, although they lie nearer to France, and their visiting list is correspondingly international; but the fine service of steamboats from the southern ports of England is making these lovely islands better known to holiday makers even from the north and from Scotland.

Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney and Sark, not forgetting the tiny island of Herm, which belongs to an English novelist, are all gems set in the sea.

Then there is Anglesey, the only island which is also a county of England and Wales. Most people know Anglesey only as the first bit on the way from Holyhead to London. Yet, year by year, by virtue of splendid golf courses and fine hydros, the Welsh county separated from the mainland by the Menai straits, and connected with the mainland by two handsome bridges, is coming more and more into prominence as a holiday

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

Truth or Fiction ? ? ?

The most wonderful flight on record was when the chimney flue. Reading maketh man full—that is it fills his mind with words he cannot pronounce.

How to hug a girl out—Call when she isn't in.

"How to get fat"—go to the butchers shop and purchase it by the pound.

The difference between a woman and an umbrella is, that you can shut up the umbrella.

The letter "U" is truly an old salt—born following the "T" for years.

Sr.—That's a nice collar you have. I'll bet I know where you got it.

Jr.—Where?

Sr.—"Around your neck."

Who was the Junior that went into the bank and asked for a speakbook for lady, that could in the middle.

Come on said the flea, as he popped from the brown hair to the leg, come over and join me in a game of golf. "Golf" exclaimed the scene as they hastily tucking a bite of lunch "Where in the realm of Darkness are we going to play golf?" "why said the flea flea, over on the Lynx of course."

Jr.—Which is a building but it hinders why doesn't it fall?

Chas Parker—Did you ever hear the story about the empty basket? Deshler—No, tell it. Chas—There was nothing in it.

Senior—Did you ever hear of cold embers? Junior—Cold? No—I never had Dec—ember cold.

Senior—Hop Jones, subject—are you carrying this subject? Sophomore—I'm carrying two and dragging two.

Miss Fenton—I think you would be able to talk more distinctly if you took your gum out of your mouth. E. M.—I haven't any place to put it. Miss T.—Hold it in your hand. E. M.—I don't want to get my hands sticky. Miss T.—Well, swallow it then.

B. B.—What is a vacuum? Student—I know, I have it in my head, but I just can't think of it.

M. C.—Last night I dreamed that I proposed to a girl. M. S.—Well, what did I say?

Miss Day—(to a tardy student) why are you late? Tardy student—Well a sign down there—Miss Day—Well what has a sign to do with your being tardy? T. S.—It said "school ahead—go slow," so I did.

Jr.—Why do so many pianists wear long hair?

Sr.—Probably to protect their ears from having to listen to their own playing.

E. K.—My father was a vegetarian.

L. R.—So that is why you've got turn-up nose?

Margaret B.—What's that coming on that horse?

E. B.—A man, I suppose.

Bob M.—(Taking up hair brush thinking it was a mirror) Oh Heavens, I need a shave badly.

Sr.—Do you know why the great English author is called Shakespear

Sophomore—"No. Why?"

Sr.—Because that was his name.

A magazine written tells us that a bag fills an empty space in a mans life. We find it especially true in in a hat bag.

According to one of the bright seniors, the difference between the jungle of an American dollar and a Chinese yen, is one is the chink of coin and the other coin of chink.

B. B.—What is the conductor for electricity?—Sleepy student—Why—er—B. B. Thats right wire, very good today.

Junior—"My mind is a memoran dum." Senior—"Oh!! see, a sort of blank book."

Senior—"Did you ever hear the story of the awl?" Junior—No-what is it? Senior—"Oh, that was all."

His Views.

"Then you want woman to vote?"

"By all means. This will occupy her mind and she won't have so much other things to howl for."

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LEGAL NOTICE.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to Paul P. Wise, Greeting.—

Take notice that the City of Bradford has filed its claim in our Court of Common Pleas of McKean County, Penna. at No. 14 Dec. Term, 1918, M. L. D. for sum of $150.71, with interest from July 14th, 1918, for pavement of Sherman Street between South Avenue and right of way of Erie Railway Company against your property on said street known as Lot Number 73, as per Sherman Street Paving Assessment Map on File in Recorder's Office of McKean County. Said claim is still due and unpaid and remains a lien against said property. You are hereby notified to file your affidavit of defense to said claim, if defense you have thereto, in the office of Prothonotary, of our said Court, within fifteen days after service of this writ. Failing in this judgment may be entered against you for the whole claim and the property sold to recover the amount thereof.

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Clementine Gaskin

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MARTIN SENTENCED

nonpayment check two weeks ago in Port Allegany. He made a small purchase at the Sterling store giving the proprietor a check for $25 in payment and received the change. He had forged the name of Charles Farrihan on the check. It was brought out that Messler had been convicted of a similar offense in Potter county in 1926. He claimed on that occasion he was drunk and not responsible for his actions and said he needed the money in Port Allegany for his wife, who was seriously ill.

Linwood Lesher of Bradford, charged with desertion and non-support of his child, in the care of his divorced wife, was required to pay $5 per week for the upkeep of the child. It was claimed that Lesher had been divorced one year. The wife was receiving no alimony but could not take care of the child, aged about 4 years. Attorney Wilson of Bradford vouched for the good character of Lesher, stating that he was gassed in France while with the Bradford machine gun corps and that after effects make it impossible for him to work steadily. Lesher announced his willingness to support the child.

A case of the Mt. Jewett, Kinzua and Riterville railroad against Mary Kennan of Smethport for collection of $16 in freight charges, was thrown out of court. Court did not allow judgment on the case as former proceedings before a justice of the peace had been illegally performed.

The court granted Mrs. David W. Lang of Kane a divorce on the grounds of desertion and non-support from D. W. Lang. No alimony was asked for the wife nor contribution for the child in the care of grandparents. Lang, however was instructed to pay Mrs. Lang $100 for court fees, and to pay $35 costs to the court.

J. J. Allison was re-appointed county detective for the ensuing year, at the session yesterday. A. D. Gallup was appointed constable for Keating township, with James Curtis registered as assessor.

TELEPHONE MEN GIVE FIRST AID TREATMENT

Highly Commended For Treatment Administered to an Explosion Victim.

Another fine instance of First Aid treatment rendered by telephone men was demonstrated recently by a gang of linemen when they administered first aid to a man who was in a serious condition suffering from a broken leg severe laceration of the scalp and burns about the body. The accident occurred near Pittsburgh, Pa.

While the telephone men were engaged in setting a pole an explosion occurred about fifty feet away. Upon investigation they found the man lying helpless on the ground. They proceeded to administer first aid treatment without delay. A compress and iodine were placed on the laceration of the scalp and the burns were treated immediately. At the same time one of the men secured a box which happened to be lying on the ground nearby and a pair of very effective splints were placed on the fracture.

At the hospital, where the injured man was received, the telephone men were highly commended for their thoroughness in administering first aid treatment.

1923 BIGGEST YEAR IN TELEPHONE OUTPUT

More Than Four Million Miles of Wire Will Be Turned Out in 1923.

Officials of the Western Electric Company predict that 1923 will be the company's biggest year, based on the production figures for the first six months of the year. During this time nearly twelve billion feet of copper wire were used in the manufacture of telephone cable. It is estimated that the output for this year will be at least 22 per cent greater than 1922. More than twenty-three billion feet of about four and a half million miles of copper wire will be used before the year's shipments are completed.

The total output of telephone receivers for the year will probably reach the 1,750,000 mark. This is about 500,000 more than were turned out last year.

From present indications the steady increase in demands for telephone equipment will continue unabated. Indeed, it is estimated by Western Electric engineers that the next twelve months will be the busiest in the history of the company.

This increase in cable output paralleling as it does, a substantial increase in the production of telephone equipment, is a reflection of the continuous expansion of the nation's telephone facilities.

X-RAY USED TO FIND PEARLS

Oyster Shells Looked Through to Locate Gem Stones, Much Time Being Saved.

Science has come to the aid of the pearl hunter, whose task has now been much simplified by the employment of X-rays to detect the presence of the gem which, if it means only trouble for the oyster, spells money for the man who can find it and bring it to market.

Every oyster had formerly to be opened before it could be ascertained whether or not it contained a pearl, says London Answers. When one realizes that thousands of oysters are burned and days may be spent opening oysters without finding a single gem, the utility of the newer process is at once apparent.

After the oysters have been dredged or collected and dispatched to the harbor, they are now examined by X-rays. If a pearl is present in one of them the "shadow pictures" at once show it.

Speed in handling is not the only advantage of this system. Oysters which are shown to possess no pearls are not harmed in any way, and can be returned to the water in the hope that, later on, pearls may develop in them. Similarly, oysters shown to contain only small pearls are replaced in special tanks, so that the pearls may be given a chance to grow larger.

This should mean that in a few years' time we shall have more, better and very probably cheaper pearls.

WEATHERING TESTS OF STONE

Alternate Freezing and Thawing Employed at Bureau of Standards in Washington.

Weathering tests, consisting of freezing and thawing of the specimens until disintegration occurs, are in progress at the bureau of standards on twenty-two samples of limestone and twenty-three of sandstone. Some of the best limestones have withstood 500 freezings without showing any appreciable amount of decay, while the poorer grades of this material were disintegrated by 100 freezings, says the Scientific American. Tests on the sandstones have only recently been started, and so far the samples have shown no great amount of decay.

A number of limestone and sandstone specimens are also being tested by soaking in a 15 per cent solution of sodium chloride and drying afterward to obtain a crystallization of the salt in the pores of the stone.

This produces an action similar to that of frost, but more severe. It has been found that limestones which stood up under several hundred of the freezings were disintegrated by less than 100 crystallizations in the salt test. However, the actual disintegration seems to be similar to that produced by the action of frost, and hence it is believed that there is a possibility of using this method as an accelerated weathering test.

The Wise Doctor.

The doctor was calling on old Mrs. Canny. She was not very ill, but she always had some question to ask the doctor that had nothing to do with her own case.

"Doctor," she said on this occasion, can you tell me why it is that some people are born dumb?"

The doctor thought for a moment. "Why, hem, certainly," he replied; "it is owing to the fact that they come into the world without the faculty of speech."

The old woman gazed at him in admiration.

"There, now," she remarked. "Now just see what it means to have an education. I asked Thomas more than a hundred times why it was, and all he could say was, "'Cause they is.'"—Baltimore News.

Air Jets.

A plan to abolish the propellers of airplanes is the subject now of laboratory research. Air compressed and mixed with fuel in a combustion chamber would be projected through a nozzle at the rear of the airplane, and the reaction of its discharge would drive the machine through the air. Though it is calculated that high speed might possibly be obtained through this method of jet propulsion, the mechanism would be heavy, and experiments so far show that the consumption of fuel would be in excess of that required for ordinary propeller drive.

Current Comedy.

"Gonna film one of Shakespeare's comedies, eh?"

"Yep."

"How's the work going?"

"Fine. I think we'll put in a few modern touches."

"As to how?"

"Well, for one thing I'll have the clown hurl a venison pie."

Nothing Serious, We Hope.

The Missionary—I hope, Mrs. Baldowsky, that you and your husband are living together in harmony.

Mrs. Baldowsky—Ach, nein. Ve are living in de Ghetto.

Silly Question.

Mr. Fusser—Aren't you nearly ready?

Mrs. Fusser—I wish you'd stop asking me that question. I've been telling you the last hour that I'd be ready in a minute.

C. M. SLACK.

Prominent Civil War Veteran Passed away New Years Day.

Charles M. Slack, aged nearly 82 years, died at his residence on Eldred at about 11:15 o'clock Tuesday, January 1, 1924 of heart disease, after an illness of several months. In the death of this old resident this community loses a man whose whole life has largely been associated with public affairs, and one who has held the respect and esteem of this section of the country. Charles M. Slack was born in Broome County New York, on March 17, 1842, son of William and Nancy Slack, who moved to Eldred township in 1844 being among the pioneer residents of this section. His mother died when he was about 2 years of age and the deceased in his young manhood made his home much of the time with Mr. and Mrs. Martin Woodard, the motherly guidance and christian teaching of the latter, whom he called his foster mother, who survives him, living at present near Richburg, N. Y., left their mark which guided him in his exemplary career throughout his whole life.

When the call for volunteers came in '61 both the subject of this sketch and his father enlisted in Co. H, of the 58th Pa. Volunteer Infantry, in which the former served 18 months, or until his transfer to Co. D, of the 4th U. S. Light Artillery. In this battery of artillery Comrade Slack took part in numerous engagements, and this Company was among the first to enter the city of Richmond, Va., after the capitulation of that city. He had enlisted for three years at expiration of his first enlistment.—Eldred Eagle.

CHIEF SAYS HE WILL REMOVE SUSPICION FROM POLICE DEPT.

Bradford, Jan. 9.—A police department so conducted that it shall be free from even a "shadow of suspicion" of corruption was promised by Chief of Police Joseph Carvolth yesterday in his first public address since appointed to his important post.

Chief Carvolth spoke before the Lions Club assembled for its weekly luncheon meeting in the Option House. Mayor Charles Deninger and Councilmen Slack, Starling, Messerly and Bauer, City Treasurer Webster G. Drew and the newly appointed captain of police, Ernest Travis, also were guests of the Lions and all gave brief talks in which their policy in the conduct of the affairs of the city during the next four years were out-lined.

"I don't know what's wrong with the police department," said Chief Carvolth, "but something is decidedly wrong with it and I am determined to find out what it is. With the co-operation of the city's civic organizations, such as the Lions, Rotary and the Board of Commerce, and the citizens at large I am sure we can give Bradford a real police force."

Mayor Deninger stated his policy in one brief sentence: "To give Bradford clean and businesslike government and to let the public know what's being done all the time."

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According to this summary, a dollar in 1913 purchased a dollars worth of motor car; in 1923 it purchased $1.11 worth of motor car, whereas the dollar which bought a dollars worth of food in 1913, today buys 68.5 cents worth of food.

A dollars worth of tires in 1913 cost a dollar. For the same dollar in 1923 one buys $1.23 worth of tires, whereas the dollar one spent for clothes in 1913 will buy today 51.8 cents worth of suit or overcoat.

It is not a matter of argument that one of the great factors which have raised the relative value of motors per dollar expended, is the large increase in good highways. These have been a predetermining cause in the purchase of a large amount of motor vehicles, and it is quantity production which has lowered the cost or increased the value as you please, of the 1913 "dollar unit" of value.

The Statistics are based on reports from such authorities as the National Industrial Conference Board, the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Cleveland Trust Company, the Department of Agriculture and the Federal Reserve Board.

The great exposition of road building, material, methods, and machinery which now is in progress in Chicago emphasizes as never before the position which highway construction and use is to take in this country. Here, under one roof are gathered together such an educational exhibit of all that pertains to highway making as the world has never seen. Road builders from all over the country are attending; road buyers have sent their representatives to see what progress has been made in the art; road users come to see whether or not their own roads are up to the best standard, and if the money their communities are spending is being wisely spent.

Attracting a major amount of the attention of the visitors are the two exhibits which have nothing to sell; nothing to gain except the spread of an idea. The Bureau of Public Roads, Department of Agriculture, has a highly educational exhibit, showing the work of the bureau, the administration of the Federal aid road acts, and the right way to build roads. The National Highways Association, occupying a great space across the end of the gallery, shows very large and elaborate maps, illustrating the idea back of the association. It shows with literature and other exhibits, its educational work looking to the creation of national sentiment for the theory that the National Government should build, own, control, and forever maintain a system of National Highways to which States would build feeder roads, which in turn would be served by county and township roads.

The great throngs of people coming to the Coliseum are but an indication of the interest we as a people, take in the highway transportation problem, and the absolute necessity of this Government taking the next step in its solution, which is, of course the creation of a National Highway Commission to locate and build the first of the truly national roads.

TRUCK GOES OVER BANK

Lawrence Appelby and sister, Gertrude of Sartwell accompanied by Miss Florence Smith of Farmers Valley, who teaches at Sartwell, started for Bolivar Sunday moring in a Ford truck. On reaching Ballis Mill they met a car. When they turned out to pass it, the truck skidded and went over an embankment. Lawrence and Gertrude Appleby escaped without injury, but both bones in Miss Smith's arm were broken just above the wrist. Dr. Hunt of Eldred reduced the fracture and F. E. Shield of the Eldred garage took the party home. The car was badly damaged.

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